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butyral resin, chlorinated polypropylene, or chlorinated polyethylene.

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In the present embodiment, particularly the resin constituting the ionizing radiation-cured resin layer 5 preferably has an average molecular weight between crosslinks of not less than 100 and not more than 200. When the average molecular weight between crosslinks falls within this range, in a test on resistance to staining, any contaminant is not left on the surface of the layer, and the surface of the layer exhibits good resistance to staining. According to the present embodiment, in curing the ionizing radiation-curable resin layer to form the ionizing radiation-curable resin layer to form the ionizing radiation-cured resin layer 5, the under coat 4 relaxes shrinkage caused in the course of curing of the resin layer. This can prevent the surface of the print layer 3 from being directly broken. Primarily, when the average molecular weight between crosslinks is not more than 200, the crosslinking reaction strongly acts in the layer, leading to significant shrinkage. However, the under coat 4 functions to

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scatter the force created by shrinkage and thus can prevent the print layer 3 from being broken. The average molecular weight between crosslinks of the resin constituting the ionizing radiation-cured resin layer 5 may be determined by dividing the molecular weight of the whole resin by the number of crosslink points (see the numerical formula described above). In this case, the molecular weight of the whole resin is  $\Sigma$  (number of moles of each component incorporated  $\times$  molecular weight of each component), and the number of crosslink points is  $\Sigma$  [1 (number of functional groups in each component - 1)  $\times$  2  $\times$  number of moles of each component].

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Page 24, replace the paragraph at lines 19 to 26 with the following:

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Direct coating methods usable herein include gravure coating, gravure reverse coating, gravure offset coating, spinner coating, roll coating, reverse roll coating, kiss coating, whirler coating, dip coating, solid coating using silk screen, wire bar coating, flow coating, spray coating or the like. Among them, gravure coating is preferred.